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25X1 REF:

1. A. THE HAZE WAS HEAVY ENOUGH ON THIS MISSION THAT LAND COULD NOT BE OBSERVED BEYOND APPROX A 30 DEGREE LOOK ANGLE WHEN LOOKING AHEAD (WEST) OR TO THE LEFT OF FLT PATH (SOUTH). WHEN LOOKING TO THE RIGHT (NORTH) HAZE WAS OBSERVED BUT VERY LIGHT AND LAND COULD BE OBSERVED OUT TO AN ESTIMATED 50 TO 25 MILES. THIS HAZE APPEARED TO BE PRIMARILY MOISTURE WITH A POSSIBLE MIXTURE OF SMOKE. COLOR WAS A DULL WHITE TO GREY. SMOKE IS USUALLY TINGED WITH YELLOW OR BLUE AND DUST IS BROWN. I BELIEVE THAT THE VARIANCE IN VISIBILITY BY DIRECTION WAS DUE TO SUN ANGLE MORE THAN INTENSITY OF HAZE.

B. DUE TO LOOK ANGLE LIMITATION, JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA WAS NOT OBSERVED.

C. SAME AS ABOVE BUT LESS INTENSE.

D. SEE A.

E. PART OF WHAT APPEARED TO BE HAZE COULD HAVE BEEN THIN CIRRUS BUT DID NOT APPEAR TO BE SO.

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2. SUN ANGLE ASSOCIATED WITH HAZE IS A PRIME FACTOR CONCERNING PILOT VISIBILITY.
3. AS A RESULT OF HAZE CONDITION AS OBSERVED BY PILOT, PKG WAS OPERATED IN POS C. FOR FUTURE PILOT GUIDANCE WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW FROM THIS MISSION ANALYSIS WHETHER C OR 3 SHOULD HAVE BEEN USED.

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